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1. CHARGE CALLED ON SYG LUNS AND DEPUTY SYG PANSO OCTOBER 11 TO REVIEW U.S. SUGGESTIONS FOR TERMS OF REFERENCE AND SCHEDULE FOR AD HOC GROUP STUDY OF JAPANESE RED ARMY (PARAS 2-6, REF A). LUNS AGREED TO CONVENE A PRIVATE MEETING OF PERMREPS ONLY OCTOBER 17 TO DISCUSS U.S. PROPOSALS. HE SAID HE WOULD SUGGEST AT THAT MEETING THAT HE CONSULT FURTHER WITH THOSE ALLIES THAT MIGHT BE PARTICULARLY INTERESTED AND ATTEMPT IN THIS WAY TO LIMIT PARTICIPATION IN OPEN-ENDED GROUP ALONG LINES U.S. SUGGESTED (PARA 2, REF A). LUNS RECALLED THAT SOME AMBASSADORS HAD ALREADY INDICATED THAT THEY WOULD PREFER TO RESTRICT NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS BECAUSE OF SENSITIVITY OF INFORMATION EXPERTS MIGHT EXCHANGE.

2. NOTING IT MIGHT TAKE SOME TIME TO GET AGREEMENT AND ASSEMBLE EXPERTS LUNS SUGGESTED AMBASSADOR HOFFACKER MIGHT BRIEF ALL PERMREPS IN PRIVATE MEETING ON U.S. IDEAS AT AN EARLY DATE. MCAULIFFE AGREED  
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AND SAID HE EXPECTED AMBASSADOR HOFFACKER, PROBABLY ACCOMPANIED BY U.S. EXPERT, WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR SUCH A BRIEFING OCTOBER 23.

3. COMMENT: MISSION HOPES PRIVATE MEETING OCTOBER 17 AND LUNS'

FOLLOW-UP WILL ACHIEVE AGREEMENT TO MOVE AHEAD WITH OPEN-ENDED GROUP STUDY. WE SUGGEST THAT IF OCTOBER 23 STILL SUITS AMBASSADOR HOFFACKER'S SCHEDULE HE PLAN TO COME TO BRUSSELS AS PROVIDED PARA 7, REF A TO BRIEF PERMREPS ON U.S. PROPOSALS. SINCE OTHER ALLIED EXPERTS WOULD PROBABLY GATHER AT LATER DATE, U.S. EXPERT CARL BARTCH MAY WISH TO ATTEND OCTOBER 23 BRIEFING AND/OR COME LATER WHEN STUDY ACTUALLY BEGINS. MISSION WOULD WELCOME HIS VISIT AT EITHER OR BOTH OCCASIONS.

4. MISSION AGREES U.S. OR OTHER PARTICIPANT IN STUDY SHOULD INFORM THE JAPANESE AT AN APPROPRIATE TIME ABOUT ESTABLISHMENT OF OPEN-ENDED GROUP AND SOLICIT JAPANESE COOPERATION (PARA 5, REF A). HOWEVER, WE ARE STILL NOT CERTAIN HOW ALLIES WILL WISH TO PROCEED. WE THEREFORE RECOMMEND NO DISCUSSION WITH JAPANESE UNTIL ESTABLISHMENT OF OPEN-ENDED GROUP IS CERTAIN AND WE KNOW HOW IT WANTS TO PROCEED.  
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